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OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for the withdrawal of this application from issue. The issue fee for this case was paid on June 24, 2004..


The reason for withdrawal from issue of this application is for consideration of information in a continuing application. The continuing application is filed as a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The RCE, which is entitled to priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 from this application, is being filed on the same date as this petition and accompanies this petition.

The petition fee of \$130 under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the Petition Fee of \$130.00 or any deficiencies (except the issue fee) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (740756-1894). A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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